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Discrimination and Protection
of Minorities
Working Group on Indigenous Populations
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AGENDA

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda.

3. Organization of the work of the session.

4. Review of developments pertaining to the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people: general statements.

5. Principal theme: Indigenous peoples - education and language.

6. Indigenous peoples and health: follow-up and recent developments.

7. Standard-setting activities: evolution of standards concerning the rights of indigenous people:

   (a) Possible future standard-setting activities, including principles and guidelines for private sector energy and mining concerns.

8. Consideration of the final report of the Special Rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on treaties, agreements and other constructive arrangements between States and indigenous populations.

9. Consideration of the working paper of the Special Rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on indigenous peoples and their relationship to land.

10. Consideration of the establishment of a permanent forum for indigenous people.

11. International Decade of the World's Indigenous People:

    (a) Voluntary Fund for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People;

    (b) Activities and report of the Advisory Group;

    (c) Preparations for the mid-point review of the Decade.

12. Other matters:

    (a) Analysis of resources available to the Office of the High Commissioner to carry out the work related to indigenous peoples, including the implementation of the Programme of Activities of the International Decade;

    (b) Meeting and seminars;

    (c) Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations.

13. Adoption of the report of the Working Group on its sixteenth session.